SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 257

By Jackson

A RESOLUTION to honor the life and memory of Horace Dale Reddon of Dickson.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Horace Dale Reddon; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Reddon was an exemplary citizen and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Horace Reddon was born in Dickson, Tennessee, on March 24, 1928, and moved to Michigan at the age of seventeen; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Reddon valorously served his nation as a member of United States

Army during World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, while serving in the U.S. Army, Horace Reddon attained the rank of Chief Warrant Officer, and was awarded the Bronze Star, Army Commendation Medal, and Master Parachutes Badge with the 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, after serving twenty-seven years in the military, Mr. Reddon became an industrial electrician and worked for fifteen years at the Tennessee Casting Company, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, District Attorney General Dan Alsobrooks, who worked with Horace Reddon on the grand jury on which he served for fourteen years, said, "Mr. Reddon was a true patriot and public servant. His leadership and sense of fairness served Dickson County well during his term as grand jury foreman."; and

WHEREAS, this outstanding gentleman also served with probity on the Dickson City Planning Commission for more than ten years; and

WHEREAS, despite the many demands placed upon him, Mr. Reddon still found time to contribute his remarkable talents to his community as a member of numerous worthwhile organizations, including serving as President of the local chapter of the NAACP, Adjunct of American Legion Post No. 211, and member of the Rising Sun Masonic Lodge No. 211; and

WHEREAS, Horace Reddon was an active and devout member of New Hope Baptist
Church, where he served faithfully as a Deacon, Trustee, and choir member for more than fiftysix years; and

WHEREAS, he was also deeply devoted to his family, and Horace Reddon was most fortunate to share love, support, and companionship with his wife of over fifty years, Peggy, and their six children and six grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, a multi-talented person with many interests, Mr. Reddon enjoyed singing, playing guitar, gardening, carpentry, boxing, and playing golf; and

WHEREAS, Horace Reddon will be deeply missed by all who were fortunate to know him; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Reddon leaves behind a legacy of integrity and commitment in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors, and it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional soldier, public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the life and memory of Horace Dale Reddon, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family, friends, and colleagues of Mr. Reddon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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